

# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM**

Mayor's Order 2008-17

January 24, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Re-Establishment – District of Columbia Commission on the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

**ORIGINATING AGENCY:** Office of the Mayor

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the District of Columbia by section 422(2) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act of 1973, as amended, 87 Stat. 790, Pub. L. No. 93-198, D.C. Official Code § 1-204.22(2) (2006 Repl.), it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

**1. Establishment**

This order re-establishes the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission, in the District of Columbia Government (hereinafter the "Commission").

**2. Purpose**

The Commission shall assist the Mayor on matters relating to the District's celebration on the annual public holiday commemorating the birth of Martin Luther King, Jr., celebrated on the third Monday in January each year.

**3. Functions**

The Commission shall:

- a. Make recommendations on activities to be sponsored by the District of Columbia government for the holiday and assist in the implementation of approved events;
- b. Encourage educational programs relating to the holiday designed to increase participation in the activities and commemorate Dr. King's legacy with a day of service; and
- c. Undertake such other duties as are assigned by the Mayor.

**4. Composition**

The Commission shall have a maximum of 13 members. Seven of the 13 members shall be Directors or designees from the following offices:

- a. Secretary of the District of Columbia
- b. Council of the District of Columbia
- c. Delegate to the House of Representatives
- d. District of Columbia Public Schools
- e. District of Columbia Public Library
- f. Serve DC
- g. DC Youth Advisory Council

The Mayor shall appoint up to six private citizens as Commission members. All members must be residents of the District of Columbia.

5. **Terms**

Members who are not government employees shall be appointed for terms of two years, ending in May of every other year. Members may serve until reappointed or replaced.

6. **Compensation**

Members shall serve without compensation.

7. **Organization**

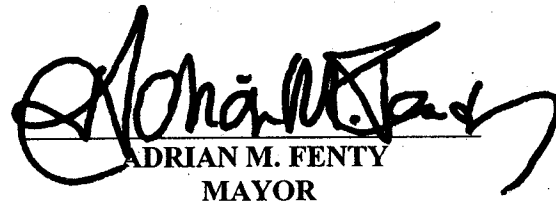
- a. The Secretary of the District of Columbia serves as Chair of the Commission, and appoints a Vice Chair to lead the Commission in the absence of the Chair. The Commission may elect such other officers as are deemed necessary.
- b. The Chair may appoint subcommittees as needed, each chaired by a member of the Commission. District residents who are not members of the Commission may be invited to serve on subcommittees.

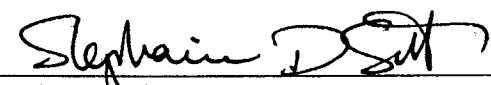
8. **Administration**

Primary administrative support for the Commission shall be provided by the Office of the Secretary of the District of Columbia. Other government agencies shall cooperate with the Commission and assist them in carrying out their responsibilities.

9. **Rescission** Mayor's Order 2007-254, dated December 4, 2007 is rescinded.

10. **EFFECTIVE DATE** This order shall become effective *nunc pro tunc* to December 4, 2007.

  
ADRIAN M. FENTY  
MAYOR

ATTEST:   
STEPHANIE D. SCOTT  
SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA